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House Resolution

No. 23

Introduced by Assembly Member Hall

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House Resolution No. 23—Relative to Problem Gambling Awareness Week.

1 WHEREAS, The National Council on Problem Gambling has
2 designated the week of March 4, 2012, to March 10, 2012,
3 inclusive, as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; and
4 WHEREAS, Problem gambling is a public health issue affecting
5 Californians of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds in all
6 communities and has a significant societal and economic cost; and
7 WHEREAS, Individuals, professionals, and organizations within
8 California have come together to educate the public about the
9 negative impacts of problem gambling behavior and to raise
10 awareness of treatment services available locally and nationally;
11 and

1 WHEREAS, The Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling
2 has trained and authorized 224 problem gambling treatment
3 providers capable of providing counseling services throughout the
4 state; and

5 WHEREAS, The Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling
6 has an Internet Web site available to the public in six languages.
7 The office also provides self-help workbooks available in 20
8 languages; and

9 WHEREAS, The Bureau of Gambling Control within the
10 Department of Justice, the California Gambling Control
11 Commission, the California State Lottery, the National Asian
12 Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse
13 (NAPAFASA), Media Solutions, and the NICOS Chinese Health
14 Coalition have joined the Office of Problem and Pathological
15 Gambling within the State Department of Alcohol and Drug
16 Programs and the California Council on Problem Gambling in a
17 concerted effort to promote problem gambling prevention and
18 treatment programs; now, therefore, be it

19 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California*, That the
20 week of March 4, 2012, to March 10, 2012, inclusive, be
21 recognized as Problem Gambling Awareness Week and the
22 agencies and organizations described above be commended for
23 their concerted effort to raise public awareness of problem
24 gambling; and be it further

25 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
26 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.